# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*
## *Office of the Governor*

***Whereas***, Arthur and Ordia Rave exchanged their wedding vows on June 7, 1942, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days. To this union 4 children were born, who in turn blessed them with 9 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren; and,

***Whereas***, The newlywed couple of 70 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow, and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

***Whereas***, Arthur and Ordia farmed just east of Dell Rapids and were well known farmers in Logan Township; and,

***Whereas***, Through their lifelong dedication to the values of caring and sharing, Arthur and Ordia have helped make South Dakota a great place to live and work; and,

***Whereas***, Arthur and Ordia will celebrate their 70th Anniversary with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants; and,

***Whereas***, It is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognizes and commemorates the memorable occasions in the lives of the state's outstanding citizens:

***Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard***, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 7, 2012, as

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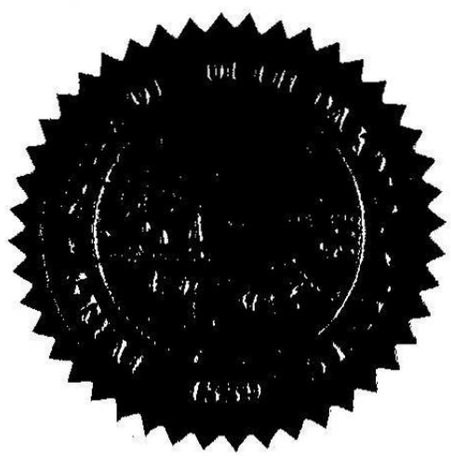
in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends in wishing them continued health and happiness in a state that stands prouder today because of their contributions and commitment.



***In Witness Whereof***, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirty-first Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

**Attest:**

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State